

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA**

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ALLOTMENT OF COCOS
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government is aware that the allotment of certain COCOs developed on the lands/sites of the private land owners have been stayed;
- (b) if so, whether the Government Oil Companies have analysed the legality regarding the allotment of such COCOs to the land owners as per the policies of the respectively Oil Companies; and
- (c) if so, the observations thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRIDINSHA PATEL)

(a) Yes Sir.

(b) & (c): Public sector oil marketing companies (OMCs) have reported that in line with the terms of the lease agreement executed for such lands, they have full rights to appoint any third person as dealer for such COCOs in accordance with the prescribed procedure. Necessary action is being taken by the OMCs to defend the cases in various courts.